

## Thru The Peepsight

G. I. Summary  
Of World News  
By SGT. O. J. REMINGTON

What will the New Year bring? In times of peace, New Year's Eve has always been a time of celebration, with the thought of the New Year and what it might mean to the individual in the background probably to be more seriously considered when the individual awoke the next day and tried to recall what had gone on the evening before.

But this year the thought of what the future year means, what it will bring to the entire world, as well as to each individual, will undoubtedly be uppermost in the minds of all Americans.

Certainly the future of 1943 looks a good deal brighter to all of us than the year of 1942 looked to us at this same time last year.

The nation has buckled down to war, facing all the hardships it has brought, performing a record-breaking major miracle of turning the entire productive forces of a nation of peace lovers into production for the terribly grim business of war, looking ahead without fear to facing more serious privations and hardships that seem certain to be faced before final victory can be achieved.

That business of turning our forces into war production in a few short months was something that our enemies did not count upon. They thought it couldn't be done, that granted, it might be accomplished, but the American people was too smart, too fat, too lazy, to desire to do it.

Our enemies made the same mistake, it may be remembered, in 1917. They underestimated our ability to get things done, and they were wrong. They know that they will have to pitch in and work even harder during 1943. And they'll do it.

No matter what else might be predicted for the New Year, it is not to foretell right now that the American soldier will have to be rolled up still farther and that it is still rolled up. It is safe to predict, too, that the collective American belt will have to be tightened, as more rationing looms on the early horizon.

In fact, announcements concerning rationing have already been made, with dates for the first of the rationing moves set for Feb. 1.

We are a nation that loves its meat that is already scarce; vegetables also are becoming difficult to get. But the public is resolved to take all of this and get on during the coming year, if it proves necessary to our victory.

On the actual fighting front, the future certainly holds more promise for 1943 than at this time a year ago, for men and equipment are pushing ahead in Africa. Our men and equipment are pushing ahead in the vastness of the Pacific. A year ago we were in pretty bad shape. We had a long way to go to our leaders war us before we can turn the tide. But our armies have begun to make offensive movements and our naval strength has been rebuilt after Pearl Harbor.

And certain it seems that our enemies will feel the might of our armed wrath in the year ahead. The year of 1943 will see an ultimate victory, of course, far beyond our power of prediction. But at least the 12 months that lie ahead are heavy with promise of brightness contrasted with the 12 months that lay ahead at this particular time in 1941.

With food rationing now on the way, the fuel, gasoline and oil situation still is acute, but a note of cheer is injected by an announcement by the War Production Board that it has approved the barge, tugboat and lowboat building program recommended by QDT. Construction is to be started shortly on 300 wooden oil barges, 21 steel bulk oil tankers and 100 tugboats, to enable an additional daily outward barge movement of 8,000 barrels of residual fuel oil within five months, and 10,000 barrels within 10 months. Terminals are being constructed at Jacksonville and Panama City, Fla., and at Cairo, Ill.

Commenting on the assassination of Admiral Darlan, Secretary of State Hull called it "an odious and cowardly act," and then went on to say that the all-important consideration is not to be "diverted for a moment from the



**MAJOR GENERAL O. C. GELLETTE**, last surviving member of Confederate General Robert E. Lee's staff, and his son, Lt. William C. Gellette, examine the modern U. S. Army rifle. General Gellette, age 97, came from Shreveport, La., to pin gold bars on his 37-year-old son upon graduation from O. C. school Saturday. (Infantry School photo.)

## R. C. Chorus Voted Best Musical Group

Unit Gains Fame On 'Cheers' Broadcast

Voting the Reception Center Chorus, composed of all colored soldiers, the best musical organization of its kind in the camp, soldiers of Fort Benning today issued the challenge to any other camp in the United States "to better or even match it."

The chorus, which is under the direction of Cpl. Willie Brown, has been in existence since the 52 weeks of 1942 now coming to a close.

Gaining local fame with a series of Tuesday night radio programs over WRBL, the chorus soon was in wide demand for singing at various camp functions and in the city of Columbus.

It gained nationwide reputation when it sang on the "Cheers From Camp" national broadcast early last fall, and at that time Columbia Broadcasting Company radio men said it was the best they had heard anywhere, and also stated it would rank with any singing group in the world today.

Men of Fort Benning backed up the opinion by voting practically unanimously that the Chorus should be ranked as the top musical group at the Fort, in a survey conducted by the Fort Benning "Bayonet" camp newspaper.

Many officers and men expressed the wish that some sort of national camp singing contest could be arranged to prove their worth.

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## You Can't Take It With You Stars Broadway Cast For 5-Day Post Show

Kaufman, Hart Pulitzer Prize Play Opens January 12

Broadway is coming to Fort Benning to teach us "You Can't Take It With You." This comedy masterpiece of George Kaufman and Moss Hart will be presented by USO-Camp Shows with an all-star cast. Lovers of the best in legitimate theater entertainment will enjoy this Pulitzer Prize play during the five-day stay at the post, starting Jan. 12.

The original three-act hilarious brainstorm was acclaimed by press and public as the maddest and merriest comedy seen in years and is the work of two of America's leading playwrights. Fort Benning and Hart, who already have to their credit a most impressive list of stage successes, which include "Once In A Lifetime," "Merrily We Roll Along," "The American Way," "The Man Who Came to Dinner," and "T'd Rather Be Right."

The plot of the play deals with the difficult family on Morning-side Heights. The amiable antics of the mad Sycamores and the crazy Vanderhofs draw all the attention the audience can give.

Jack Norworth, famous vaudeville star and songwriter, who wrote "Shine On Harvest Moon," "Take Me Out To the Ball Game," "Apple Blossom Time in Norman-dale," and other all time favorites, will appear as Grandpa Vanderhofs, head of the clan. Mr. Norworth is very well-known and beloved by the folks who used to hear him do his songs from the vaudeville stage at the time when Gus Edwards, Eddie Foy, and King

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## Bond Delivery Begins Mar. 1

Regular delivery of war bonds purchased by civilians under the class A pay reservation plan should be accomplished by March 1, 1943, according to Colonel J. H. McFall, post finance officer.

Bonds will be issued directly by the Fort Benning branch of the Finance Department, under supervision of Col. McFall, who was recently appointed an issuing officer. Records of all deductions will be handled by the civilian personnel officers on the post, and upon their certification the finance office will issue the bonds.

There have been many questions about the old system of bond delivery, and due to misunderstandings many cancellations have resulted. However, with the new streamlined method of recording and delivering the securities, the reservations will undoubtedly increase. All persons authorizing deductions are urged to continue doing so. Prompt and accurate service is promised under the system, which becomes effective January 1, 1943.

Reservations authorized by military personnel will be handled out of Washington as previously. However, with the volume of the decentralized civilian plan, these should receive better service too.

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## Norse Officer Eluded Nazis To Join Allies

Lt. Melbye Training At Infantry School To Fight Axis Again

Norwegians are tough. When the Nazi legions drove through the small Scandinavian country in 1940, thousands of strong, proud Norwegian soldiers were captured and forced to lay down their arms.

But since the German invasion, many rugged Scandinavians have eluded their captors and fled to freedom, once again to take up arms against the aggressors who invaded their homeland.

Such fortitude, obtaining passage to the United States, Lieutenant Willy K. Melbye, now at Ft. Benning's Infantry School, who was forced to give up his arms and equipment and return to civilian life after the Nazi conquest. But Lieut. Melbye, like so many of his countrymen, would not follow Norway's arch-traitor Quisling.

After a year in occupied Norway, Lt. Melbye made good his escape. With a friend, he crossed the border into Sweden on skis. From Sweden, Lt. Melbye's odyssey carried him by airplane to Hong Kong, China, by way of Moscow and Chungking, a distance of nearly six thousand miles.

At Hong Kong, Lt. Melbye stayed at the American Embassy for two weeks, during which time the Japs bombed the city relentlessly, spreading death and destruction in the fortress. Obtaining passage on a Norwegian cargo vessel, Lt. Melbye earned his passage to Los Angeles—some seven weeks after fleeing his native land.

From the time of his arrival in this country, Lt. Melbye has been actively working toward the restoration of his homeland's emancipation from the humiliating rule of Quisling and the Germans. He has taken several military courses in Canada, and worked for the Norwegian Government in exile, which has been calling to arms Norwegian Nationals in Canada.

At this time, Lt. Melbye is on special duty as a student in the Battalion Commander and Staff Officers' Course at the Infantry School here.

Intent upon seeing his country (Continued on Page 7)

## He Who Laughs Last Laughs Best Captain Learns

Sgt. John F. Bevilacqua of the 54th Infantry, who was laid up in the hospital recently with a busted knee suffered in football practice, has the last laugh on Captain George A. Renoux, company commander.

Bevilacqua took a few razberries, he avows, from the captain about the mishap and all of a sudden the noise ceased.

Reason: The captain hobbled into the orderly room one day with a busted knee suffered in football practice.

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## Victory Tax For Civilians Starts Jan. 1

Allowances, Overtime To Be Included In Computation

Collection of the new Victory Tax from civilian employees will commence January 1, 1943, according to word received from the War Department today.

The new assessment will be figured on gross earnings, including allowances, and any overtime pay. Gross yearly earnings, plus overtime pay, minus \$244 (allowable deduction) multiplied by five per cent will roughly give the sum due. This figure will be broken down into as many parts as the individual has pay periods.

Records pertaining to this tax, and all deductions made for war bonds under the class A pay reservation plan, as well as regular retirement deductions, will be handled by the various civilian personnel officers on newly devised record cards. All payroll deductions will be made from data included on these forms. Personnel officers will be appointed certifying officers and will be responsible for the accuracy, legality, and completeness of the information posted on these individual earning records.

By use of this new plan unnecessary duplication will be eliminated and a complete record from which to audit will be available.

No information on the collection of the Victory Tax from military personnel has been released. Members of the armed forces will be required to pay this tax but possibly not until March 1944, along with regular income taxes.

## Seminars Set For Chaplains

Three Meetings Will Discuss Mental Aids

A series of seminars on the subject of pastoral theology, personal counseling, and ministry to the sick have been arranged for Fort Benning chaplains and nurses and individuals in downtown Columbus, January 5-7. Lt. Col. Frank M. Thompson, chief of the chaplains' branch, has announced.

The seminars will be conducted by the Rev. Mr. Ralph D. Bonacker, chaplain and teacher of theological students at the New York State Training School for Nurses, New York City. Meetings have been arranged for 10 a. m. in the post chapel during the three seminar days, while other sessions are being scheduled for the nurses and for the Columbus groups.

The courses were arranged through Colonel Thompson by the Commission on Religion and Health of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America in collaboration with the Chief of Chaplains, Army of the United States, and the Head of the Chaplains Division, United States Army.

The seminars are designed as "refresher courses" and are considered important due to the high percentage of the chaplains' work which involves dealing with individuals; because of the comparatively small amount of training which ministers have had in this field in comparison with the training they have had in other fields; and due to the very considerable advance in knowledge made in recent years in the field of personal counseling, pastoral psychology, and ministry to the sick.

The Rev. Mr. Bonacker is a graduate of the Yale School of Divinity and also studied in the General Theological Seminary in New York.

He supervised clinical training in the New Jersey State Hospital, Greystone Park, N. J. For three years he was curate of St. Paul's church in New York. He has been interested in movies. Thus, when he sold a considerable sum, he used the money for photographic equipment, and made his first movie short in 1928. As soon as

## 'Hellzapoppin' Rocks Post In Fun Riot

10th Armored Tigers And Show's Cast Break Loose Tonight

By Sgt. Carl Neu

They're dancing in the aisles at Benning this week! And that means leg-lovely Broadway show girls, buck privates, master sergeants, majors and colonels in the biggest fun riot that has ever hit America's number one army post.

It's "Hellzapoppin'," a miniature edition of the riotous madhouse that rocked New York for over two years now touring southern Army camps as a USO-Camp Show unit.

Jam-packed houses have already belly-laughed their way through four performances in the Main Theater and a hospital show that had the patients tossing away crutches to do the bumps-a-daisy. Tonight, the cast of over 40 guys and gals invades the Sand Hill area to help the 10th Armored Tigers tear the lid off the New Year at Theater No. 7. Friday and Saturday "Hellzapoppin'" will pop at Theater No. 4 in the Main Theater.

## TOPS THEM ALL

USO shows have come and gone at Benning, but "Hellzapoppin'" tops them all, because everyone has a chance to join in the fun. Imagine a band of military men with trousers legs rolled to the knees, rouge smeared on their cheeks, party hats atop their noggin's, lollypops in their mouths and dancing a polka in the aisles. It actually happens, and the men war officers are all over it.

Cause for all this high-larks is the Hellzapoppin' Polka number, latest variation of the famed Bumps-a-daisy. The darling G.I. poster boy of the show, the boys to ever tap their way across a Benning stage, sweep into the audience, flooding the aisles with proper faces (and legs) that set the boys mad. Each picks a partner, then the fun begins. The number comes to a smashing finale as the boys and girls, after their quarry up to the stage for a final jig that shows the strangest assortment of legs anyone has ever seen, take a bow.

## MAJOR OBJECTION

The Main Theater rocked with laughter every time this number was staged, and everyone joined in the fun. One unknown Infantry School major was a bit reticent once he had been corralled by Sandy Lee of the girls cast. Being a major, he was a bit of a stickler for propriety, and he managed to shout at the Bayonet photographer "Don't take my picture, please." Our enterprising photographer got it, though, and it was a sight to behold. (Wonder what the Baker's wife will say tonight?)

The polka number was one of many that took place in the audience and had the lads who rushed for front row seats to get close-up views of the show, back further. Stogies were sprinkled all over the auditorium, and every remark on the stage got a response from the audience.

## BLANKET-BLANKS

Telegraph girls, a balloon man, a clown with a glowing nose, Lena Horne's "Ain't Nothin' But the Blues" and the wackiest crowd Benning has ever seen cavorted all over the place. On the stage, more blanks were fired than at Hook Range on a busy day. Hellzapoppin' really flows all over the place.

The principals, of course, all do a bang-up job, but foremost in G. I. eye-interest, as usual, were the girls. And there were plenty of them. The 18 Gae Foster Royettes, trained personally by the

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## Forms Are Ready For Back Pay, Uniform Allowance

Fort Benning officers entitled to back pay dating from June 1 and an additional \$100 uniform allowance will be required to submit a statement of their earnings, each duplicate, Col. John H. McFall, finance officer, announced this week in the Daily Bulletin. The forms were outlined in the Bulletin for six months during which the officers may be copied directly therefrom, or personnel sections may secure them from the Finance Office.

They are to be submitted with the January pay vouchers. The Finance Office plans to begin making payments of the additional salary and allowances on February 1. It was requested that no special-pay voucher be filled out as these will not be attended to until claims on regular vouchers are processed.

The uniform allowance bill provides \$250 for officers not above the third pay period, or \$100 additional for those already paid \$150 in compliance with the original bill. The pay bill places all components of the Army on the same pay status and allows officers to count previous enlisted service for purposes of pay and longevity. As the bill is retroactive, many officers will receive in a lump sum back pay which has been accruing since June 1.

## Pathe News to Film TIS Officer Course

'Lieutenant Smith Of U. S. A.' To Be Directed At Benning By Slavko Vorkapich

The Officer Candidate Course at The Infantry School will be the subject of a two reel motion picture to be made here by Pathe News some time in March. The title of the show will be "Lieutenant Smith of the U. S. A." starring William Terry.

The writer-director of the movie, Slavko Vorkapich, is at The Infantry School this week gathering material for his screenplay. He is making a thorough study of the entire course of instruction so that the story as finally written will be completely accurate.

Vorkapich is a native of Yugoslavia, but he has been a resident of the United States for 22 years. He studied art in Budapest and came to this country in 1920, he worked as a commercial artist in New York City for a few months before moving to California. He had a painting studio in Santa Barbara for three years before going to Hollywood.

Vorkapich has always been keenly interested in movies. Thus, when he sold a considerable sum, he used the money for photographic equipment, and made his first movie short in 1928. As soon as

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**MARJORIE CRAMER** will appear as Alice Sycamore in the USO-Camp Shows unit "You Can't Take It With You" which is scheduled for Fort Benning for five days, starting Jan. 12. Miss Cramer has appeared in such plays as "Kind Lady," "The Man Who Came to Dinner," and "Philadelphia Story."



## O. C. 'Doing It Again'; Sutter Trained in 1918

"The Infantry is the Queen of the service for it was, is, and always will be the first soldier."

With this epigram, Candidate Winfred N. Sutter of Tampa, Florida and now a student of the 13th Co., Third Student Training Regiment here at the Infantry Officer's School, prefaced his reminiscences of O. C. during World War I.

Uninitiated and fresh from four years at Western Military Academy, Sutter entered the 7th Infantry Officer's Training School at Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill. in 1918.

This was "war-time" Officer's Training in its infancy, and as such, "Win" (as Sutter prefers to be called) concludes that their methods of instruction were not as fully systematized and polished as our present set-up at Ft. Benning. For one thing, the concept of an infantryman was essentially a "foot-soldier" with plenty of brawn. Consequently, Officer's Training consisted mainly in the development of efficiency in drill and field work.

"The mortar and the automatic rifle were first coming into play; therefore, we were given the Springfield rifle as our bible and saviour. Naturally," Sutter continued, "the aim of the course was to harden the cadet and teach them what others had learned by bitter experience."

Officer's Training Schools in 1918 were composed principally of experienced soldiers and were withdrawn from combat to be trained as leaders. These men had already learned the significance of the phrase "battle importance" and therefore, there was little need to stress the value of the applicatory phase of instruction. All classes were conducted by the commanding officer and company officers of the candidate company. In-

struction committees, as we know them at Ft. Benning, were just being conceived. Training was limited to the knowledge that a few men could impart. However, we must realize that the basis for future Officer's Training was being founded and our present system of exposing candidates to the viewpoints and experience of many instructors gradually evolved.

The methods developed at the Infantry School at Ft. Benning, concludes Sutter, are so well-defined and comprehensive in comparison that the term "superiority" is an understatement. However, this can be directly traced to the fact that our conception of an infantry leader has undergone a radical change. No longer is the infantry confined to a display of overwhelming strength, but in its place we have a well-trained, intelligent fighting unit. With this change in attitude, the infantryman is taught the value of mental alertness. Therefore, we now visualize him as a well-versed soldier, particularly in the tactical use of weapons. Above all, a thinking individual who comprehends his place in the combat picture.

With this change in attitude, our infantry officers are now being taught every phase of the military curriculum from prosaic military discipline to the more complex theories underlying military tactics. The modern officer must not only be a seasoned soldier, but is required to assume command of any situation at the slightest opportunity.

We are confident that our officers know their job and are still getting the feeling in their men. As "Win" so aptly puts it, "the Japs' conception of heaven is dying in combat." The American's heaven is coming home. With this spirit, you can't lick the "doughboy."

## Fort Benning Boasts 46 Varieties of Trees

Forty-five miles of trees, with 46 different varieties recognizable, make a formidable array of thousands of trees that must be maintained at Fort Benning, with two tree surgeons and a detail of men continuously on the job.

The surgeons are Staff Sergeant Winfield Purvis, assisted by Sgt. R. R. Steedley, and their line a year around the job, under the direction of Captain Lester Bridges, post green house officer.

Daily they make the rounds of trees, doctoring the "sick" ones, pruning, spraying in the spring and seeing that they are protected against wintry blasts or that proper work is done during the cold months on the ground around them so that they will be healthy and beautiful in the summer.

Sgt. Purvis estimates that there are 45 miles of trees lining streets and boulevards on the Post, besides many that have been set out or were native to the post in various areas. There are at least 20,000 trees that he must take care of through the year, he estimated.

**BOTANICAL PARADISE**

Here's a list of the trees that Sgt. Purvis and Sgt. Steedley have identified—and they admit that there may even be more varieties than they have not yet come across:

Tulip poplar; sweet gum and black gum; silver maple; mimosa; cypress; water, live, white, red, black jack and post oaks; white ash; pig hickory; shag bark hickory; red hickory; crab apple; holly; red bud; china berry; honey and black locusts; silver beech; magnolia; Australian, long leaf, short leaf and slash pine; catalpa; cottonwood; ginkgo; cherry laurel; wild cherry; lilac; pecan; peach; pear; black and English walnuts; persimmon; dogwood; English and American elms; sassafras; hackberry; mulberry and swamp bay.

In the spring the tree surgeons and their crews are kept busy with sprays and prunings. Just now they are busy cultivating the dogwoods that were set out about three years ago along the roads leading to the post and around the swimming pool.

Scarcity of materials is hampering the work of caring for the trees, too, Sgt. Purvis said. Quite a few large limbs on several trees needing cabling, but with scarcity of steel, this work probably will be forced to wait until after the war. Some of the large trees also are suffering from cavities that cannot be properly treated, he also stated.

Sgt. Purvis studied tree surgery at the Davy Institute of tree surgery at Kent, Ohio, and worked in New Jersey for several years. He has worked on some of the large estates in the North and also was employed for some

time in Memphis, Tenn. He is a former member of the 124th Infantry, where he was assigned when he joined the Army in November, 1940. Sgt. Steedley is a graduate of the Mississippi Agricultural Mechanical Engineering college.

## Army Field Cook Must Be A Houdini

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 30.—In a combat area an Army field cook has to be a combination chef and Houdini to whip up victuals for the boys, because a lot of his cooking must be done in a complete blackout.

When he lands in the area with his field range and other equipment, it's up to his ingenuity to pick a location where the enemy won't find him and blast his whole layout apart, it is pointed out in instructions at headquarters, Fourth Service Command.

Trained for his job, he picks a site for his kitchen where he can take advantage of natural cover to prevent observation of troop concentrations by the enemy. To his range and cooking utensils, other equipment is added in strict accordance with his initiative and that of his helpers in improvising such expedients as possible from available resources.

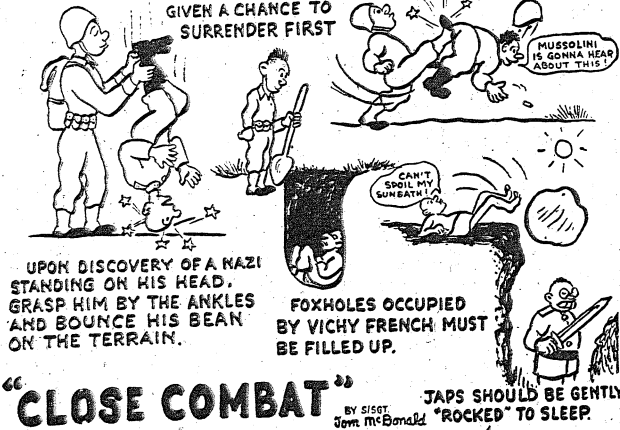
He can't cook without fire, but fire and smoke may draw the attention of the enemy, so he has to pass and enforce his own smoke ordinance and fix things up so the fire won't show.

The cook and his helpers must rig up benches adjacent to the range, so they can be used as serving tables. He's got to arrange his uncooked food, known as stores, near the kitchen and remember where each item is located, for if he wants to boil some potatoes, he wouldn't do so well if he fumbled around in the dark some night and got into the pile of onions instead. Or, if he wanted canned tomatoes, he'd have a red face if he made a mistake and dumped a lot of canned peaches into the pot of vegetable soup.

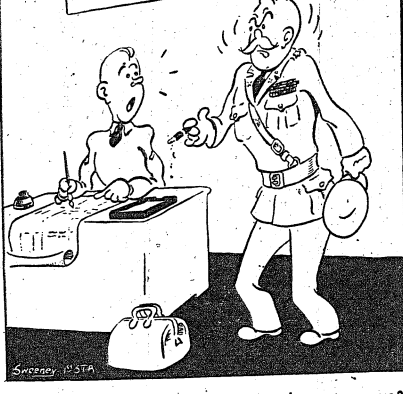
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ITALIANS SHOULD BE GIVEN A CHANCE TO SURRENDER FIRST



## DIVISIONAL OFFICERS CLASS REGISTER HERE



## O. C. Company Gives Bonds As Yule Gifts

Santa Claus "passed the bonds" this Christmas to friends and relatives of officer candidates in the Eighth Company, Third Student Training Regiment, where officer candidates purchased \$200.25 in bonds and \$25.00 in stamps to fill the Christmas cards of their loved ones "somewhere in the U.S."

Earlier in the month, Lt. Malcolm Kullman, first officer of the Eighth Company charged with bond sales, proposed a "Bond Christmas" to candidates as a means of beating the holiday shopping rush and helping Uncle Sam at the same time. The drive was aided by posters and charts showing mounting sales of bonds and stamps.

The Eighth Company already had allotted \$1,557.75 worth of their December pay for bonds, and had purchased nearly \$400.00 additional in bonds and stamps over the company's pay table on pay day. This total, however, is not the end of the drive, as the sale of bonds will amount to about \$2,189.00, a record of which any organization on the post may justly be proud, it is pointed out.

December marks the third month during which one hundred per cent of the Eighth Company's roster has made pay reservations. Captain William G. Schelling is the commanding officer of the company whose motto is "Save for your and America's future."

## 'Pine-Bur' Forms Press Club

Formation of a press club among the many former newspapermen and radio casters now officer candidates in the Second Student Training Regiment is being sponsored by the regimental newspaper, THE PINE-BUR.

Many companies in the regiment already have press clubs started which meet once a week to drum up contributions for their paper, and the idea of the informal club is to get these groups together for a weekly conference.

**11TH PROMOTES**

The commanding officer of the 11th Infantry this week announced the promotions of eight enlisted men in his regiment. Pfc. Joe H. Melton was promoted to technician grade four. Raised to technician grade five were Pfc. Carl H. James, Jack D. Shelton, Thomas Testner, and Pete B. Fother, and Pfc. Fred C. Leno, Thomas W. Colasanto, and Thomas J. Reece.

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UPON DISCOVERY OF A NAZI STANDING ON HIS HEAD, GRASP HIM BY THE ANKLES AND BOUNCE HIS BEAN ON THE TERRAIN.

FOXHOLES OCCUPIED BY VICHY FRENCH MUST BE FILLED UP.

"CLOSE COMBAT" BY S150T J. M. McDonald

JAPS SHOULD BE GENTLY "ROCKED" TO SLEEP.

## 210 Rooms Are Available For Civilians

### Quarters Ready For Occupancy January 2

Room for more than 200 civilian employees of Fort Benning still is available in the new dormitories established on the Post, it was announced today as it also was announced that the rooms would be ready for occupancy on Jan. 2.

So far about 100 applications for rooms have been received and filled, but altogether, the new dormitories can accommodate 310, when all rooms are filled to capacity, the Post Engineer's office said today.

The dormitories have been built behind Dispensary A, and are to be completely furnished, even to linens. No mess has been established but one may be set up later if conditions warrant, Col. Albert J. Bain, post engineer, said. Rooms are renting for \$12 per month for single occupancy, \$12 for two or \$24 for three occupants, he said.

Rooms are available for both white and colored personnel and for both men and women employees. Civil Service personnel have the first choice on applications, while other civilian employees, such as Red Cross personnel, officers club employees and others will be housed after the civil service employee applications are filled.

Applications for rooms in the new dormitories now are being received at the Billing Office at Post Headquarters. While rooms still are available at the dormitories, the room situation in down-

## Father, Private, Sees Son Get Gold Bars

A father who was recently drafted into the Army at the age of 42 was transferred to Fort Benning just in time to see his son, 21, graduated from Officer Candidate school here.

The father is Pvt. Howard S. Johnson of the Third Battalion Headquarters, Company, Third Armored Regiment, while his son is now 2nd Lt. Lionel H. Johnson, an alumnae of the Second Student Training Regiment's 23rd Company.

The son enlisted in the New York National Guards in 1939, spent two years with that outfit and then went to a Tank Destroyer unit in the state of Washington, from where he came to O. C. school. His father was just drafted on Nov. 16 of this year, and was sent after processing to Benning, where he immediately looked up his son.

A vehicle should always be parked in a place where camouflage may be used to prevent its shape, shadow and tracks from revealing its location to the enemy.

Drivers of motor vehicles should remain in concealment near their trucks, but not in or under them and never gather in groups.

Down Columbus for families of personnel at the Fort is growing more acute, the Billing Office reported. No single rooms were available all last week and there was a large waiting list. Rooms are being snapped up by the eager applicants as rapidly as they are vacated by previous occupants and hundreds of additional rooms could well be used.

## 'Yank' Scribe Visits Post

### Describes Inner Workings Of Paper

Making a survey of Army camps through the country Pvt. William Crocco, representative of the staff of the Army's own newspaper, "Yank," has been at Fort Benning for several days.

He described the 24-page tabloid and told how it was established, drawing upon expert journalists, writers, editors, artists, photographers from the ranks of Army men who have marched and drilled and sweated with the tools of war.

Now "Yank" correspondents have been sent to the far corners of the world to report the activities of American Armed forces overseas.

Among well known writers are included Marion Hargrove, author of the best seller "See Here, Private Hargrove," Joe McCarthy, well known Boston Post sports editor, who is managing editor; Sgt. Harry Brown of "New York" fame as assistant managing editor. On the staff are such men as S-Sgt. Dave Beger, creator of the "Private Beger" cartoons; Sgt. Ralph Stein and Corp. Pete Patti and many others who have contributed to national publications.

Sgt. Walter Bernstein, formerly of the Infantry School Public Relations Office, is a now a member of the staff. Among the regular features are a series of articles on our enemies as well as our allies; articles describing personnel, training and fighting equipment of the various armies; a weekly news summary, illustrated by large maps, sports, radio and movies covered on special pages while every issue contains a page of cartoons by soldier-artists. A number of short wave radio programs also have been established under titles of G. I. News and G. I. Live. The paper gives accurate news from the battle fronts also.

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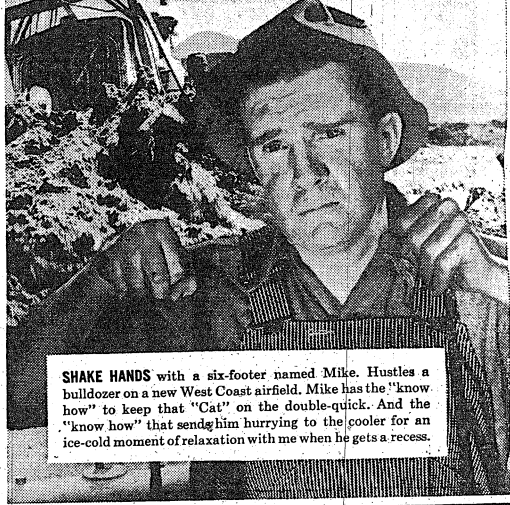
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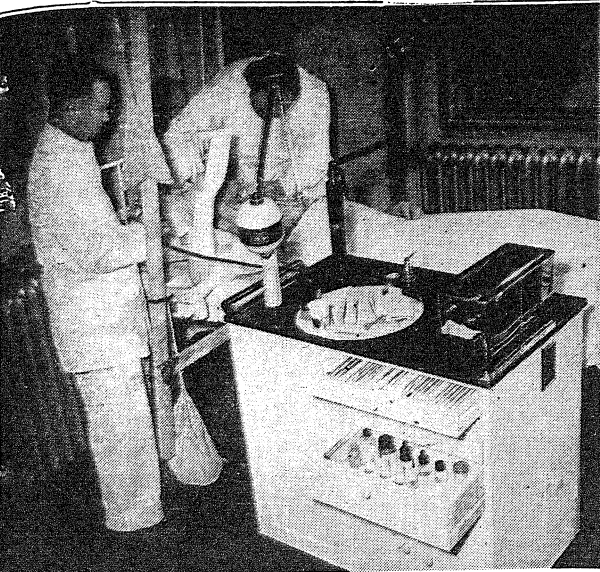
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DENTIST'S DRILL comes to the bed-ridden soldier as new device is put to use at Benning. (Signal lab photo.)

# Post's Dental Clinics Maintaining Strong, Sound Teeth For Fighters

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If, as Napoleon said, an Army travels on its stomach—it must have strong teeth to do it, and at Fort Benning the program of maintaining strong, sound teeth is one of the major health measures of the post.

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# Dehydrated Food Provides Balanced Diet

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 30—If an American soldier can get along without meat for one meal, he can now sit down to a dinner with every item on the menu a dehydrated food from soup to a dessert of rice pudding—with raisins. It was revealed today at the Distribution Branch, headquarters Fourth Service Command.

In such a meal he would start off with dehydrated chicken soup, or he could have vegetable soup if he desired, containing a mixture of soy beans, green peas, sugar and spices. He then would have dehydrated eggs for his "meat dish," from which point he could select his vegetables from dehydrated potatoes, onions, carrots, cabbages, beets, rutabagas or sweet potatoes. If he happened to be from Boston, he could have his home town's famous dish—baked beans, also dehydrated. For his drink he could have lemonade made from lemon crystals and the fruit part of the meal would be "apple nuggets."

He would then polish off the repast with the latest member of the Army's dehydrated food family rice pudding, which has been perfected after much experimentation. In its concentrated form the pudding is a mixture of cooked rice, processed raisins, sugar, salt, spices and vanilla flavoring in proper proportions. It requires only the addition of water and cooking to turn it into a tasty dessert. The rice is pre-cooked until it contains not more than 10 per cent moisture. When water is added it returns to the original grain character and produces a pudding that looks and tastes like ordinary grain rice.

These dehydrated foods are used for the soldiers' mess, as explained, as the concentrated foods save much shipping space. As an example, the overseas shipment of 27,000,000 pounds of potatoes now can be reduced to 3,000,000 pounds which would save at least 500,000 cubic feet of cargo space. This amount is more than the capacity of two cargo ships, or about 10,000 ships' tons.

# Lt. Colonels Are Sergeants At Benning

Some people are prone to argue that, since the advent of Hitler, things have gone from bad to upsidside-down. However, regardless of whether the world is upside down or right side up, the fact remains that in the matter of dental care, the Army is doing a job that is a little on the "it can't happen here" side.

Take for instance the Fourth Company, of the First Regiment, where a lieutenant colonel, Lt. Col. Robert H. Garrison, formerly commander of the Service Battalion, is squad leader in the same student company.

Lt. Col. Frederick R. Underhill, former officer of the First Student Training Regiment, and later executive officer of the Student Training Brigade, is now back in his old battalion as a student officer in the Fourth Company. The lieutenant colonel is now "First Sergeant" in the student company. Lt. Col. Robert H. Garrison, formerly commander of the Service Battalion, is squad leader in the same student company.

person pointed out. "With the Army taking in older men during the past year, the soldiers requiring dental work to make them fit for duty has increased. Many of these men had never visited a dentist in their lives. Others had gone to dentists only in case of emergencies, and had no idea of proper care of teeth."

**TECHNICIANS TRAINED**

"Work of the Clinic consists not only in caring for the dental needs of the men, but in training technicians. There are two women hygienists who are experts, and they assist in training men from the Medical Detachment as dental hygienists, X-ray technicians and laboratory experts also. Men from the hospital train unit preparing to go overseas are receiving training here, and also in the laboratory so that they can give full dental care, even to making dentures, right in the field."

The Dental Clinic is spread all over the post in order to give service to the men. At the main post, a 15-chair clinic is maintained at the Station Hospital, under Maj. R. D. Watkins, while at Dispensary A, 12 chairs are maintained under Lt. Col. A. L. Bartlett. In the 10th Armored Division area, a 25-chair clinic is directed by Lt. Col. Chester Fordyce, while in the Harmony Church area the needs of officer candidates and regular troops are met by a 15-chair clinic directed by Maj. Nathan Alderstein. In the Alabama area, an eight chair clinic administers to the parachute troops under the direction of Maj. Rex Matheny.

Expansion still is going on with buildings up in the Third Student Training Regiment area and another building in the Harmony Church area now awaiting installation of equipment before they begin functioning.

In the laboratory, eight assigned enlisted men work eight hours a day under the direction of Capt. W. F. Maury making dentures or bridges, turning out work every bit as expert as any big commercial dental laboratory in the country. Six others are attached from the station hospital or from hospital trains for training also. They will be able to perform work in the field for their units later.

Besides the dental work of the



**ROSA ROLLAND**—The art of terpsichore will be interpreted by Rosa Rolland when "Manhattan Music Masters" play at Theatre No. 10 in the Alabama area of Fort Benning Jan. 7. Miss Rolland, who studied at the Metropolitan Opera school of dance and with Michael Fokine, was a member of the Corps de Ballet of the Radio City Music Hall, before joining the Metropolitan Opera Company last year she has remained for five years. During the past year she has appeared as a member of the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo.

# 'Music Masters' Play Alabama Area Jan. 7

A musical treat of rare excellence will be presented by USO-Camp Shows at Theatre No. 10 in the Alabama area of Fort Benning on Jan. 7 when the "Manhattan Music Masters," a group of talented vocalists, musicians, and dancers, offer their program of popular classical and operatic favorites.

Recruited from the top quality talent of the musical field, "Manhattan Music Masters" will present the equivalent of a compact concert season in an evening of singing, playing, and dancing. The program will include such popular favorites as the Valse Hugette from the "Student Prince," by Fritz Kreisler; "On Wings of Song," by Fritz Kreisler; "The Loves of a Soldier," by Fritz Kreisler; "Largo Al Fagotum" from "The Barber of Seville," and excerpts from Gershwin's opera, "Porgy and Bess."

Brought to Fort Benning through the efforts of the Special Service office, "Manhattan Music Masters" uses such top-flight artists as Agnes Davis, soprano; Garfield Swift, baritone; Byrd Elliot, violinist; Howard Kubik, pianist; Rosa Rolland, dancer; and Nicolas Beriozoff, dancer.

The show has been organized and presented by the concert division of USO-Camp Shows Inc. and is presented free to the men in the armed forces.

# Shain Sent To Harvard

Jewish Services To Be Continued During His Absence

Lt. Samson A. Shain, Jewish chaplain at Fort Benning, has been ordered to Chaplains' School at Harvard University for a month's course of study. Lt. Col. Frank M. Thompson, chief of the post's chaplains branch, announces.

Competent individuals have been secured to lead the religious services directed by Chaplain Shain, but due to the difficulty of obtaining leaders for all six services, it will be necessary for men of all Lawson Field organizations and the 117th Infantry to attend services Friday night in the Children's School. All men of the 124th Infantry, 764th Tank Battalion, 801st and 802nd Field Artillery will join men of the Second Student Training Regiment in their Sunday morning services in Building B-7.

The revised schedule for the month of January follows:

For men on the Main Post, All Lawson Field organizations, and the 505th, 506th, and 507th Parachute Infantry:

Every Friday evening at 7:30, at the Children's School, corner Baltzell Avenue and Lumpkin Road, a five voice-choir of officers and enlisted men chant the services. A lively discussion concludes the evening.

For men of the 3rd Student Training Regiment and the Student Training Brigade:

Every Sunday morning, at 9:00 o'clock, in War Dept. Theatre No. 8, (Building B-46), 8th Division Road.

For men of the 2nd Student Training Regiment, 124th Infantry, 764th Tank Battalion, 801st and 802nd Field Artillery:

Every Sunday morning at 10:30, in Building B-7. A lively forum on an important Jewish topic follows the service.

For men of the 10th Armored Division:

Every Monday evening, at 7:30, in Chapel No. 4, Sergeant Abe Millman will act as cantor.

Motor vehicles will provide less attractive targets to the enemy if they are not parked in groups, a line or in a regular pattern.

# Chaplains—

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**Arain.** By my friend, Dr. Robert Freeman, may furnish the needed inspiration: I played with my blocks—I was but a child, Houses I builded, castles I piled;

But they tottered and fell, all my labor was vain; Yet my father said kindly, "We'll try it again!"

I played with my days—what's time to a lad? Why pore over books? Play, play and be glad! Till my youth was all spent like a sweet summer rain; Yet my father said kindly, "We'll try it again!"

I played with my chance; such gifts as were mine To work with, to win with, to serve the Divine, With prodigal hand I did waste and profane; Yet my father said, kindly, "We'll try it again!"

I played with my soul, the soul that is I, The best that is in me—I smothered its cry; I lulled it, I lulled it, and now, O the pain, Yet my Father said kindly, "We'll try it again!"

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# Baumer Made Major; Goes To Capital

Officer To Set Up Machine Methods For O. C. Schools

Promotion of Capt. Edward F. Baumer to the rank of major was announced here this week just as the personnel officer of the Student Training Brigade of the Infantry School prepared to leave for a new assignment in Washington.

Major Baumer is being transferred to Washington for duty with the Management Branch, Control Division, of the Adjutant General's Office to work out details for the establishment of a system of processing soldiers in all Officer Candidate schools and replacement training centers in the Army.

Personal officer of the Student Training Brigade here, the unit which processes the huge number of Officer Candidates reporting to the Infantry School, Major Baumer set up a system here which cut a wide swath through what was formerly a very complicated system of paper work.

Major Baumer received his commission to the Infantry School following graduation from Rutgers University. In private life he was a practicing attorney in Newark, N. J. He was called to active duty in 1940 as one of the few Reserve Officers selected to attend a three-month course here at the Infantry School, returning to private life in June of that year. He was again called to duty in October of 1940, coming back to the Infantry School where he held a number of important positions in the first expansion of the School to its present site, including adjutant of the first Student Training Regiment and adjutant of the first Officer Candidate Battalion.

Released from duty in the fall of 1941, he was recalled again in February of this year to become personnel officer of the Second Student Training Regiment, newly formed to handle Officer Candidates. He went to Brigade headquarters where that unit was activated in July.

Major Baumer is a former New Jersey State A. A. U. swimming champion and was named to Spaulding's All-Collegiate water polo team when he was in his sport at Rutgers University in his senior year.

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# With The Civilians

MYRTLE JOINES

Mary Anne Robinson of the Infantry School Book Shop is just back from Fort Bragg where she spent the holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, Maj. and Mrs. B. A. Harcos. Major Harcos is liaison officer of the General Staff of the Air Force Command, Major and Mrs. Harcos are well known to Benning having spent two to three duty here.

Clarebelle Stevens is that proud of her husband these days for he's gonna be a soldier before you know it. The Motor Transport Section here on the post is also proud of Clarebelle for the way she is taking it. Just like a regular soldier herself.

The Finance Office salutes of first grandmother—none other than Mrs. Ruth McKnight. A fine boy named Gus William Schlitzkus, Jr., whose poppa is hunting Japs in the Pacific.

Some of the girls in the Infantry school went off for Christmas like Lillian R. King to Indianapolis and L. C. L. Hofbauer to St. Paul, but Mary Ellen King stayed at home and her sister, Pat, came from the University of Georgia to spend the holidays with her. Pat was also welcomed back to Headquarters and was a special guest for the party there.

Don't forget to include the Adjutant General's Department in the list of Christmas parties.

Ethel Miller and J. Walter Prescott will never have an opportunity to forget their wedding which took place on December 7, 1942. He certainly was a wise fellow to select a day of such prominence and then he won't be able to forget it, as if he would.

It was nice to welcome some of the old gals back to the Ordinance office. Bonnie Reeves, Mary Lee Hug (Incidentally Mary Lee is a student at Auburn) and Robert Baxter are giving the Army a run-for-its-money in that snappy navy outfit.

Remember all those mechanics learners we wrote about the other week? Well, they're off to school now and in just 110 days will be in the hands of Uncle Sam. Would you believe it if I told you they cried when they left Lawson Field? That must be a swell bunch coming to bring a bout such sorrow in leaving.

Josephine Haggard is back at work after three weeks spent with the asthma. Could you imagine a nice girl like Josephine picking asthma to spend her time with but seems she was mighty happy to be back at the old desk this time.

Helen and Frederick Williams have gone to New York to get their baby. Fred will be doing his work in the Infantry School at the tune of "rock-a-bye baby."

"Didn't Horace W. Tiller look nice when he visited the S. Depot the other day?"

Hellzapoppin—  
(Continued from Page 1)

great G. F. tapped, whirled and sent several "beat" numbers. Their White Christmas ensemble, with lovely little Maxine Turner doing the solo work, was a gem of beauty.

The Three Grace Notes, a staccato trio to la the Andrews Sisters, warbled trilly tunes that had the boys stomping their feet by the time the Emerald Sisters, an acrobatic duo, knocked one another around so much that they made the rough work on that "candle look" easier than knitting.

BEN DOVA BENDS OVER  
For sheer talent, the internationally famous acrobatic pianist, Ben Dova, really did everything during a drunk routine, including the footlights and a lamp post prop.

Milton Douglas wise-cracks his way as the show's banter man, ably assisted by tubby Jack Leonard, who's bigger than an M-3 tank. The "and Company" of the Douglas act carry all the action and stage a bedroom scene in a sanitarium that is a riot.

The show was produced by the inimitable Olsen and Johnson in the Winter Garden Theater, their New York stronghold, and lives up to every standard set by the Broadway success. It's zany, unpredictable and screwloose. There won't be "hell-raising" in Benning until the Yanks march into Berlin and Tokyo.

Yeah man, Hellzapoppin at the old camp ground this week!

senior year. At Rutgers he was sport editor of the college paper, captain of Scabbard and Blade military society and cadet colonel of each home, R. O. T. C. class. He received his law degree from night school at the University of New York.

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MAJOR GENERAL WILLIAM BRYDEN, commanding general of the Fourth Service command, is pinning the Distinguished Service medal on Mrs. Arnold Funk, wife of the brigadier general who was cited for heroic action in the Philippines. Mrs. Funk received the medal for her husband at a review in Doughboy stadium last week. General Funk is believed to be a captive of the Japanese now. (Signal lab photo.)

# Height Tried 'Chutes In Army's Early Tests

World War Veteran Helped Rickenbacker, Doolittle in Work

A companion of famed Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker and Brig. Gen. "Jimmie" Doolittle in the days when they made the first parachute tests—which led up to the present tremendous program of paratrooping—is back in service again.

He's T-4 Charles T. Height, of Cleveland, Miss., now with the Ordnance department at Fort Benning as assistant shop foreman working on heavy tanks.

Back in 1918 he joined the U. S. Army and served until the end of the war, assigned to the 94th Aerial Squadron where he stayed for 18 months. After the Armistice, Rickenbacker came back and was in the organization, together with General Doolittle, then a second lieutenant. Commanding officer of the squadron was Maj. Carl Spatz, now Maj. Gen. Spatz, commanding the U. S. Air Force overseas.

Sgt. Height served as a crew chief for many months, flying with both Rickenbacker and Doolittle, servicing their personnel plane and working with them in the first Army mass parachute tests. Sgt. Height and eight or 10 others, all volunteers, made the tests.

The men went up in planes, used dummies on the chutes and then recommended changes. This was done on batch after batch of parachutes and then "live" tests were made by the men themselves who walked out on the edge of plane wings to be swept off by the open chute or to jump from the plane wing and then pull the ripcord.

NO AUXILIARY CHUTE  
"We didn't have any auxiliary chute, either—so that if that ripcord didn't open it would have been just too bad," Sgt. Height recalled. "But not a man was lost. Our only casualty was a man who broke a leg and myself, having landed in a mess of cactus one day. It took a week to pick that stuff out of my hide."

As a result of the work done by Rickenbacker and Doolittle and the volunteer enlisted men, many changes in design were made in the parachutes and from that start the parachute experience of the American Army grew continuously.

Sgt. Height also was in the crew of the Dehaviland 4, powered with the Liberty Motor, that made a record-breaking altitude flight, hitting 32,500 feet.

When he left the Army in 1919, Sgt. Height returned to Cleveland where he operated an oil station and machine shop. Now 43, he re-enlisted in May, 1942 and because of his experience on heavy motor equipment, was assigned to the ordnance department.

# Ace Trombone Player Is Completing O. C. Course

Tommy Dorsey, Larry Clinton, Bunny Berrigan, Emory Deutsch, and many other popular modern musicians have had in their band at one time or another, Captain Earle of the 15th Company, 1st STR.

In the short period of five years Earle has really "hit the top," but only after having training in the music he plays. The classics still play with him and he'd rather play them than swing.

Earle is one of two in two more of the Post Public Relations Office, conductor of the popular column "Through the Peep Sight" in the Fort Benning and Bayonet, and well known for his radio work and feature writing, is one of them.

The other two are Sgt. Clayton W. Cripe in charge of service records, Headquarters Detachment, DEMB, and First Sgt. Earl Herman, 23rd Quartermaster Regiment Company.

All three are to report January 14, and their class is scheduled to begin January 15.

NEWBERRY MADE W. O.  
Promotion of Tech. Sergeant Y. Newberry of Columbus, Ga., to the rank of Warrant Officer was announced this week by Lt. Berry L. Marshall, commanding officer of the 4th Academic Regiment, Infantry School Service Command, Ft. Benning, Georgia.

The new officer has been in the army nine years and was one of six in his regiment who recently passed the stiff examinations necessary to become a warrant officer.

technical and amusing incidents of the operative world. He ability to accompany himself for the difficult musical scores of the opera and arias she sings throughout the lecture is an unusual talent.

Her knowledge of foreign languages enables her to give to her audience the subtle translations of the story of the opera. Her wit, charm and dramatic ability make her lectures extraordinarily colorful. She will sing the roles of Mimi and Musetta in the opera La Boheme by Puccini.

The afternoon promises to bring a rare musical treat to the members of the Woman's Club. The meeting will be open for the first time, especially to soldiers who are lovers of operatic music.

Woman's Club  
By LAURA M. BAILEY  
A great disappointment faced the Woman's Club of Fort Benning when they were unable to obtain Ovela Culp Hobby, director of the W. A. A. C. to speak before them at the January meeting. Demands of the newly formed organization have prevented her accepting the request tendered her for a lecture before the women of Fort Benning.

The Music Group of the Woman's Club has graciously consented to give the general meeting, which will be held in the Main Theatre at 3 p. m. on Monday, Jan. 14. Dorothy Bennett, who has proved to be one of the popular features of the Music Group, will give a colorful lecture and musical presentation of the opera La Boheme by Puccini.

Mrs. Eley, a dramatic soprano, has a well grounded background of professional experience in the field she draws to illustrate the

# Masons Plan Installations In Columbus

Scottish Rite Will Confer New Degrees; Soldiers Invited

Scottish Rite Masons at Fort Benning will be interested in the beginning of the New Year's work of conferring the degrees by the Lodge of Perfection of the Columbus Scottish Rite Bodies, the meetings to be held in the Scottish Rite rooms in the Gilbert Building, 17 1/2 12th Street.

The first meeting will be held on January 6, beginning with the organization of the class at 7:15 p. m., and the conferring of the Fourth Degree at 8 and the Fifth Degree at 9 o'clock.

The remaining degrees of the Lodge of Perfection will follow in three monthly meetings, on February 17, March 17 and April 7. On April 7 the first class will begin at 12:45 p. m., conferring all of the degrees from the fourth through the fourteenth, the January class joining them for the Fourteenth degree.

The degrees of the Chapter of Rose Croix, 15th to 18th, will follow on April 21, the Council of Kadosh, 19th to 30th, on May 19. The Consistory degrees, 31st and 32nd, on May 19.

As the "Columbus members of the Rite have no means of a personal contact with the Chapter of Fort Benning, soldiers are invited to note these dates and attend meetings whenever possible. Master Masons who are interested in the conferring these degrees are invited to contact the secretary by phone, office 2-3091, home, 2-1178.

# Lawson Bombsight

By CPL. E. K. FUSILLO

Qualified volunteers from the ages of 18 to 39 are being sought to attend the five weeks training course at Tyndall Field, Panama City, Fla., aerial gunnery school. Men in any branch of the Army may apply to their Commanding Officer for a transfer to this school.

Upon completion of the course, if you've got the stuff it takes, you'll receive a pair of silver combat wings and a sergeant's school rating. (If you are a sergeant you will receive a staff sergeant's rating.) And you'll receive flying pay 50 per cent additional to your base pay because you will be one of the crew of an air force bomber.

Everyone who knows Captain James is familiar with the cocker-spaniel mascot down at 7th Operations. Roger Shadrock, a blueblooded canine match from Alabama, Roger at present holds the title of "busted" numerous times due to conduct unbecoming a non-com. Being a confirmed "busted" enthusiast, it is only natural that Roger has piled up a total of nine flying hours to date and is anxiously awaiting his chance to solo.

Roger, the only flying mascot on Lawson Field, makes no bones about letting people know of his claim to fame, and keeps his nose tilted at a special angle when passing by "Pvt. Early Chow" the 7th Mess Hall mascot.

Sgt. Rathgeb of Personnel in the 27th Troop Carrier Squadron, has left for Officer Candidate School in Miami Beach, Florida.

M-Sgt. Darryl Firestone and M-Sgt. Harry Stafford, both of Finance Detachment left this week as officer candidates for Fort Rye Kan., where they will undergo a three months' training course and be commissioned as lieutenants upon completion of the course they will be sent to Brooks Field, Tex. for training as Aerial Sergeants.

"A Smart Man's War" is what Lt. General H. S. Arnold, commanding general of the Army Air Force, calls the greatest contribution in an editorial published in the December issue of "Air Force," the new official Air Force service journal.

Gen. Arnold states, "This is a smart man's war, being fought against a cunning and intelligent enemy. It is not mobbing. It is that forces all of us to keep abreast of day by day developments."

We must learn all we can, not only about our own job but about the other fellow's job. We are called upon to be specialists and at the same time achieve versatility. To accomplish this dual objective we must study new methods, new techniques, new roads to victory.

It is gratifying that out of a little service bulletin, which originated almost a quarter of a century ago, has come this modern service journal, the greatest exchange of ideas with our expanding Air Force. I encourage each one of you to read it regularly, and use it as a medium of expression.

The new magazine comprises 40 pages of topical articles and features on the doings of the Air Force.

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Episcopal Church in Chicago, during which time he had graduated from the University of Chicago and at the Institute for Psychoanalysis in Chicago. Mr. Bonaker also was chaplain and instructor of theological students at Bellevue Hospital in New York. He recently conducted a camp seminar at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md.

During his stay at Fort Benning he will be quartered in the Officers' Club.

# New Year's Mass For Catholic Soldiers Arranged

The Feast of the Circumcision of Our Lord will be celebrated by the Catholic Church, with Mass at various hours in different parts of the Post. The schedule is as follows:

Main Pt.: Chapel No. 4: Mass will be said at 6:30 a. m. and 8 a. m. and in the evening at 6:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Station hospital: Mass will be said in the Station Hospital Red Cross Building, Corridor C (between ward 12 and 13), at 6 a. m. and 8 a. m.

24th General Hospital: Mass will be said in the Officers' Mess Hall at 6:30 a. m.

Reception Center: Mass will be said in the Recreation Hall of the Reception Center at 7 p. m.

Lawson Field: Mass will be said in Chapel No. 1, at 7:30 a. m. in Chapel No. 2, at 6:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; in Chapel No. 3, located in the 17th Infantry Area at 9 a. m. and 7 a. m.

Harmony Church: Mass in each of the chapels of the 2nd and 3rd Student Training Regiments at 7:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.

10th Armored Division Area: Mass in the following chapels in the 10th Armored Division Area: Chapel No. 1, at 8 a. m. and confessions beginning at 7 a. m.; in Chapel No. 2, at 8 a. m.; in Chapel No. 3, at 9 a. m. and 11:30 a. m.; in Chapel No. 4, at 8 a. m. and 10 a. m.; in Chapel No. 5, at 9 a. m. and 10 a. m.

Mass will be said in the Alabama Area for the Parachute Regiments beginning at 10 a. m.

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and Brown played across the boards.

Other members of the daffy clan and their curious friends are played by Marjorie Cramer, Johnny Stearns, Edwin Hodge, Charles J. Parsons, Daisy Atherton, The Saralee Harris, Patrick Fahy, McGregor Gibb, Paul Byron, Elizabeth Brew, Norman Porter, Elizabeth Hoffman, Joan Croyden, Rosetta Le Noire, Charles Benjamin, Anthony Grey, and Lance Curand.

You Can't Take It With You will be presented free of charge to service men, as is customary with all USO-Camp Show entertainment.

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supreme objective" of gaining control of the African continent and the Mediterranean.

He said that the battle for Africa is still at a crucial and critical stage and that General Eisenhower and his associates, so many of whom are former New Benning officers, need the full measure of unified support.

Earlier, he had told a press conference that Allied forces on the offensive in Tunisia have a "fairly good margin" of superiority over their Axis forces defending Tunis and Bizerte, and added that in the air our margin of destruction is holding up at a rate of about two to one.

Out in the South Pacific, a flight of Army flying fortresses had the supreme pleasure of playing grim Santa Claus to the Japs by dropping bombs down Japanese "stockings" in the form of the funnels of shipping in the Harbor of Rabaul, New Britain Island.

One may well imagine the satisfaction with which they tossed the bombs by levers to dump lethal loads of explosives on the ships, scoring three direct hits on a large transport or cargo ship and several near-misses close to three smaller cargo vessels.

Beyond any doubt similar New Year's greetings will be delivered by other bombers and likewise by scores of thousands of American fighting men along various fronts where they now are in action.

And we may be certain that such work begun on the New Year will continue through the rest of 1943.

# Norse—

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a free nation once again, Lt. Melbye hopes that Allied forces one day effect a landing in his homeland and drive out the Nazi legions. He expresses the opinion that 99 per cent of his fellow-countrymen share that hope.

Lt. Melbye is proud of an Army's attempt to organize Norwegians in units of their own in this country, such as the 99th Norse Battalion in which troops of Norwegian origin or those speaking the tongue can join.

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half crown with little trouble, but then went into a midseason slump to grab the final-half flag. The academics, coached by Lieut. Frank Shannon, recovered their form, however, and swept through to the title in an abbreviated series when the Hoosiers forfeited after taking two terrific shellacks.

A good many of the I. S. S. C. players had also been stars in the post team earlier in the spring when they compiled an enviable record against top-notch college and professional opposition. Lefty Francis was the big star for the academics. Mrs. Roy Lindquist, coached the Benning Doughboys.

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contention that the best singing in the entire Army is provided at Fort Benning.

"We'd back this group in any manner," hundreds of soldiers said. "Any such contest could not help being tremendously popular and would prove that the Chorus is the best in the country."

The chorus presents its program each Tuesday night singing "Songs of the South."

Many other musical organizations at the Fort also are outstanding, with nearly every regiment having a band, and many other organizations having orchestras, bands or choral groups.

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EIGHT

# Engineers Tie Provisionals 4-4 In Bouts

TRO's, decisions, split foreheads and everything but a victory were scored as the "mighty 55th" Engineers and the 10th Armored's Provisional Battalion battled to a 4 to 4 tie last Monday night in the Inter-Battalion Boxing Team Matches held in the Recreational Hall of the 11th Armored Regiment. A capacity crowd saw the Engineers score three K. O.'s while the Provisional Team chalked up one.

Pvt. Lewis Reza started the ball to rolling for the Engineers by winning a three round decision over Pvt. George Dickey of the 55th Infantry. Reza outwitted his opponent and had the advantage in all encounters. Dickey was a game kid but not match for the heavier Reza as he downed his smaller opponent three times in the third round.

Following suit in the second bout of the evening, Pvt. Joe Taylor of the Engineers laid away Pvt. Edward Chew of Division Headquarters Company in 1:43 of the first round. Chew came out like a ball of fire and the spectators expected some real fireworks but his vim, vigor and vitality soon wore out and then Taylor stepped in and laid him away for the second win on the Engineers' side of the ledger.

At this stage of the evening matches the Provisional team came to the tie as Pvt. Bill Babin of the 150th Signal Company won a decision over Pvt. Henry Benjamin for the first of the 4 wins for the Provisional team. Both men were fair boxers and a slow first round really got into the second and practically wore one another out as they both tried to drive home a blow that would spell victory. Babin kept his opponent at bay with a sharp right that drove in enough punches to give him the decision.

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## Fort Benning Calendar

**Chapels**

**PROTESTANT SERVICES**  
**MAIN CHURCH:** Communion service 8:30 a. m.; Sunday school in the Children's sanctuary, 9:30 a. m.; Bible study 10:30 a. m.; "The Lord's Prayer"—Mormon

## 'Big Top' Veteran Leads The Band Of 124th Infantry

From the circus to the Army comes Master Sergeant Willy B. Scott, leader of the 124th Infantry Band, with a long and varied experience under "big tops" behind him.

Starting out at the age of 16, he went from his native Castle Rock, Ore., to Portland where he worked for several years, then went trouping as a musician with the Buffalo Bill Wild West Show which featured Jess Willard, then world heavyweight champion.

After that he went all over the country with the old Barnum and Bailey circus and when that was forced to fold up because of the

flu epidemic in 1919, Sgt. Scott travelled with a carnival composed largely of shell games, card fortune and an orchestra. On one occasion, so difficult were transportation problems, he even loaded the show on barges and floated it around, he recalls.

Later Sgt. Scott travelled with the John Robinson Circus and with Tom Mix's Travelling Show. When the show closed up during the depression, he became a commercial fisherman, continuing his musical career in National Guard units. He was inducted at Camp Blanding in 1940 and took over the leadership of the 124th band about a year ago.

Cpl. Max Ulmer, who played with the New York Americans professional soccer team and National Champs in 1940-41, is now stationed at Ft. Monmouth, N. J.

## An Army Wife Shops In Columbus

By Eve

It's been a wonderful holiday hasn't it? A grand feeling this after Christmas let-down. Life can resume its normal progress and once our energies are restored we start thinking of the normal demands and needs of our family. We also feel we've earned a reward for our efforts of the past month and start thinking of the possibilities of augmenting our wardrobe during the after-Christmas sales our stores are holding. Sales judiciously attended and purchases made with shrewd attention to needs and value, can be of inestimable value to our budget and personal good looks.

This is the time to buy that dress coat or suit you've been looking at these past months at KATYER, LILIENTHAL, INC. You've wanted that particular outfit but felt its price tag was beyond your budget allowance. The quality and workmanship made it an investment item. Now a sizable reduction is available. It's a saving and a worthwhile purchase for future pleasure and good looks.

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